

SHIP WRECKED  
AND SET ON FIRE

Capt. Spurr, of the Barkentine Resse, Tells a Thrilling Story of a Narrow Escape Off the Coast of Cuba.

DRIVEN ON ROCKS  
IN A FURIOUS GALE.

Captain's Wife Acted Like a Heroine and Refused to Be the First to Enter Boat, Which Was Finally Landed.

Capt. Edward H. Spurr, his wife and nine members of the crew of the barkentine Resse, which left Halifax several months ago for a coconino-collecting trip in the tropics, arrived in this port to-day on the Ward line steamship Saratoga, having been shipwrecked off the coast of Cuba and undergone all kinds of suffering.

After the barkentine was driven ashore in a hurricane she caught fire, and before the crew could unship the boats they were almost destroyed by the fire. The story told by Capt. Spurr to-day is one of the most thrilling sea tales that has come into this port in a long time.

"Everything went well with us," he said, "until the second week in February, when it began to blow up a bit. The Resse was a staunch barkentine, however, and we rode along well until the night of Feb. 16, when we were off Cape May. In the heavy weather I could not make out the cape light, and as we were heading for Barraco I feared I might go astray. We went as near shore as we dared and then anchored.

Driven on the Rocks. "During the night the gale blew itself into a hurricane and we began to drag our anchor. I tried to get to sea again, but it was impossible. Then we threw over extra anchors, but the wind was too much for us, and we went nearer and nearer the rocks. Finally I cut the anchor chains and tried to skirt the shore to a better place to ground. Before we had gone a hundred yards, however, two lumps went over the cabin fixing, and the ship was ablaze.

"I gave the order to unship the boats and the men tried to get to sea, but the flames had spread to the deck and they had a rough time of it. I tried to get to the shore myself, but my wife and the crew of thirteen, want to say that Mrs. Spurr acted like a heroine. She never lost her nerve for a second, and wouldn't be the first to get into a boat. She also helped me save some of my valuables, so that altogether we got away in perfect safety.

Landed at Cape May. "Two boats were all that we could get out, but they were enough to bring us out. We landed at the lighthouse after several hours' feeling our way around in the dark, and after three days there before we were fit to make any way overland. We went to San Diego, where we found the Saratoga. That's the end of the story. The Resse was completely destroyed by the fire.

Some of the crew remained in Cuba. Some of them were sick. One of those who returned to the Saratoga was Henry Tinker, steward of the Resse. He was ill and was removed to Ellis Island hospital.

## TRIED TO STEAL RINGS.

Stranger Attempts a Snatch and Charles S. Fries Is Accused.

Charles S. Fries, of No. 251 East Eighty-sixth street, was held in \$1,000 bail for examination on Monday by Magistrate Barlow, in the Tombs Court to-day, charged with attempting to snatch two rings valued at \$35 and a watch valued at \$10 from the person of a woman.

The complainants were Cross & Bequelin, diamond merchants, of No. 17 Maiden lane. Fries was charged, went to the store yesterday and, representing himself as an agent for Reed & Barton, of No. 4 Union square, West, picked out the two rings. A young clerk named Henry Vales waited upon him, and Fries wanted to take the jewelry to the store. Instead Vales insisted upon sending the rings, and when the package was delivered to Reed & Barton's it was returned as not wanted, saying none had purchased the goods with authority.

This morning Fries again went to the Maiden lane store and tried to induce Vales to turn over the goods to him. Instead Vales seized him and held him in the store until he was summoned and placed him under arrest.

## H. A. FLEISCHMAN STRICKEN.

Attacked with Heart Failure at Exposition Grounds in St. Louis.

Word was received in this city to-day that H. A. Fleischmann was stricken suddenly with heart failure at the Exposition Grounds in St. Louis, at a half hour he was unconscious, and it was believed that he could not live. Physicians made every effort, but pronounced him out of immediate danger. H. Fleischmann is a member of the firm of the Fleischmann-Vietnam Model Bakery Company of this city, and has been in St. Louis for some time arranging for a restaurant on the Exposition grounds on the line of the establishments in the city and those which the concern had at the Buffalo and Chicago Expositions. His son, Ernest H. Fleischmann, a lawyer, at No. 16 Nassau street, is an uncle of Mayor Julius Fleischmann, of Cincinnati.

## SHIPPING NEWS.

PORT OF NEW YORK.

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From Jacksonville, Fla., the S. S. Albatross, March 11, 1904. From New Orleans, La., the S. S. Albatross, March 11, 1904. From New Orleans, La., the S. S. Albatross, March 11, 1904.

INCOMING STEAMSHIPS.

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OUTGOING STEAMSHIPS.

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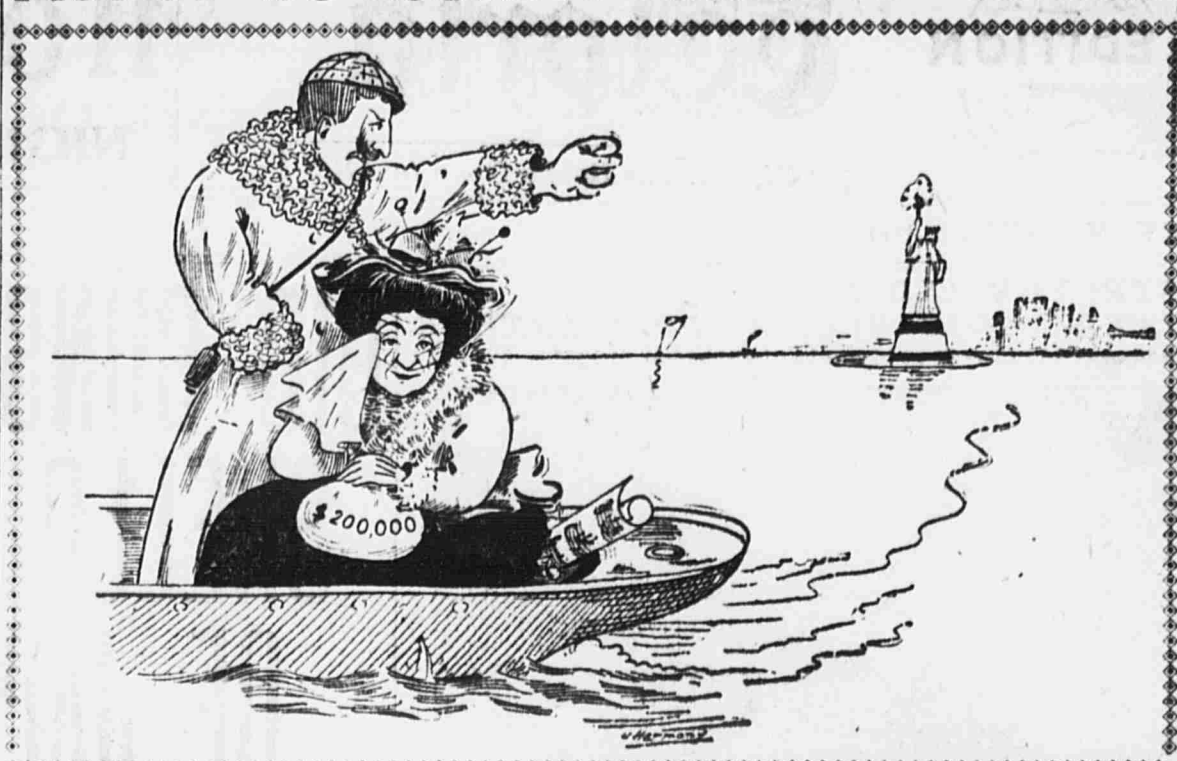
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## PATTI SO SORRY SHE IS GOING!

PANAMA CANAL  
COUNSEL SAILS

William N. Cromwell Goes to Arrange for Final Transfer of Company's Properties and Records to Our Government.

William Nelson Cromwell, counsel for the Panama Canal Company, sailed for Cherbourg to-day on the American line steamship New York. He goes over to arrange for the final transfer of the properties and records of the company to this Government.

"I will attend to all the formalities," he said, "the holding of final meetings and the getting ready of the archives of twenty years and all necessary papers for the final transfer. I will also arrange the details so that the turning over of the company's property will be simultaneous with the turning over of the property and rights on the isthmus.

"I will bring back the deeds of transfer and they will be formally turned over to the Attorney-General and the Secretary of the Treasury in New York. I have fought single-handed for the building of the canal by this Government for six years and during that time I have overcome many obstacles.

It can be depended upon that I shall not fail in this last great step and I will return at an early date.

"I have the preliminaries so far in hand that the formal meeting can be held in Paris on April 20. That is an early date for completing a work of such magnitude.

On the New York sailed Thomas Jenkins, the wrestler, and George Weeden, his manager. Jenkins is going over to meet all comers and to try and take on a match with Hackenschmidt, a Russian wrestler.

HAYES TO OPPOSE  
TWO-PLATOON BILL

Fire Commissioner Does Not Favor Its Passage, but Says He Will Utilize One Battalion and Give Plan a Fair Trial.

Fire Commissioner Hayes announced to-day that he will oppose the passage of the Two-Platoon bill when it comes up before the Fire Committee of the Senate on Tuesday.

Commissioner Hayes said that before he received his appointment he felt that the two-platoon system would be a good thing for the Fire Department, as he thought that no workman should be deprived of his home life.

"Since I have occupied my present post, however," said the Commissioner, "I have studied the situation and advised with experts on the subject and what I have learned has convinced me that not only would the two-platoon system be a benefit to the department, but would prove an actual menace to the service. Further than that it would impose a heavy burden of expense upon the city without in any way increasing the efficiency of the department.

"As I understand it, when the volunteer department was abolished and the paid system established, the purpose was to have a continued service such as is at present in vogue. The establishment of the two-platoon system will injure if not overthrow this continued service.

"Notwithstanding the fact that I have made up my mind to oppose the bill, I will put in practice the present conditions that would be imposed under the bill itself."

## FOR HIS DAUGHTER'S SAKE.

Baroness von Sternburg's Father Lived and Died in Lonely Penury.

(Special to The World.)

ETEWANDA, Cal., March 11.—C. E. Langham, father of the Baroness von Sternburg, died on his little fruit ranch here, where he had spent the last two years alone.

Mr. Langham had three strokes of apoplexy in the course of his residence here. People as he was declined to employ any one to take care of him, but did all his cooking and housework, saying to his neighbors that he was obliged to practice economy because he was poor.

He was in Denver to the social career of his family in Europe.

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PATTI AVOIDS  
PROCESS SERVER

Diva Locks Herself in Her Cabin on Lucania and Positively Refuses Admission to Even Her Own Maid.

Frisky and active as a girl of twenty, Mme. Patti, with a laugh, sprang from her carriage at the Cunard line docks an hour before the Lucania was to sail to-day and ran toward the steamship. Her husband, the Baron Cederstrom, followed, carrying a small handbag, and was joined at the gangplank by three men and two women who have been touring with the madam during her American engagement.

"Are you disgusted with America and Americans because they like prize-fights better than opera?" the madame was asked by a reporter for The Evening World.

The madame retreated at once. She had made her way half way to her stateroom when the reporter again asked:

"Is it true that you have carried off 200,000 of good Americans dollars?"

The madame smiled and some who saw her thought she answered in the affirmative. She hurried to her stateroom, looked the door and answered all knocks from the inside.

"No one can get in," she called through the door.

"But we want you to come out and have your photograph taken," was answered from the outside.

"My picture taken? My picture taken?" queried the madame, with a glad laugh. "I'll come," she said, and she posed on the deck of the steamship for her picture.

Suddenly there came a strange-looking man up the gangplank. Some one said he was a process server who had been chasing Mme. Patti all over the country. The diva gave a frightened look and fled to her stateroom. The lock gave a click and she was locked in. Her maid went to the door and knocked loudly.

"Come in," cried the madame from the inside.

"Can't help it," answered the madame, "I have locked myself in. I am going to sleep."

The strange-looking man stood in the distance, and when the cry came "All aboard!" he made his way down the gangplank, and the sleeping prima donna watched him from the port-hole.

## OLIVER HARRIMAN DEAD.

Financier Expires at His Home in Mount Kisco.

Oliver Harriman, formerly and for many years one of the best-known dry goods merchants in this city and prominent in financial and social life, died to-day at his home in Mount Kisco, after a lingering illness.

Mr. Harriman was born in this city Sept. 18, 1829. He began his business career in the dry goods trade, and was a partner in the firm of McCurdy, Adrich & Spencer, continuing with them until they retired from business. The firm of Low, Harriman & Co. was then formed to succeed them, with James Low as the senior partner.

Mr. Harriman retired from active business several years ago, having amassed a fortune estimated at several million dollars. He was connected as president with the management of many prominent financial institutions.

Mr. Harriman is survived by five sons and three daughters. They are James Low Harriman, Oliver Harriman, Jr., Joseph Harriman, Joseph Harriman, Herbert M. Harriman, Mrs. Stephen H. Ginn, Mrs. W. K. Vanderbilt and Mrs. W. H. Travers.

## "NELLIE BLY" A WIDOW.

Husband's Death Was Indirectly Due to a Recent Accident.

Robert Seaman, husband of "Nellie Bly," whose maiden name was "Ellie Bly West," is dead at his home, No. 15 West Thirty-seventh street. His death, the physicians say, was due to old age and indirectly to an accident that befell him several years ago. Mr. Seaman was crossing Sixth avenue when he was run down by a wagon, sustaining a fracture of several ribs. Since then he had been failing, and several days ago it became evident that he was near his end.

Mr. Seaman was eighty-seven years old. About six years ago he came here from his birthplace, Catskill, N. Y., and established the firm of Park & Seaman, 15 West Thirty-seventh street, the newspaper woman, at a dinner in Chicago in 1893 and his marriage to her followed on April 5.

Mr. Seaman was rated as a millionaire. It is supposed that his widow will get a large part of the estate.

Coasting Crash Fatal.

(Special to The Evening World.)

PITTSFIELD, Mass., March 12.—Miss Hazel Crosby, of Lenox, who was seriously injured in a coasting accident at Lenox last night, died early to-day at the House of the Good Samaritan.

Crissy Henry, who has a fractured skull, may not recover. Three others in the party, suffering of broken limbs, are not dangerously hurt.

OFFICIALS CONFER  
ON BRIDGE CRUSH

Mayor, Comptroller, Representatives of Rapid Transit Commission and Brooklyn Rapid Transit Discuss the Problem.

A conference was held this morning in the Mayor's office on the question of solving the bridge crush and connecting the Williamsburg and Brooklyn Bridges. There were present the following:

Mayor McClellan, Alexander E. Orr, President of the Rapid-Transit Commission; William Barclay Parsons, the chief engineer of the Rapid-Transit Commission; George S. Kice, the deputy chief engineer of the Rapid-Transit Commission; Comptroller Grout, President E. W. Winter, of the Brooklyn Rapid Transit Company, and Chief Engineer O. F. Nichols, of the bridge department.

The conference began at 11 o'clock and lasted until 12:30 P. M. Then it broke up to meet again at 2 o'clock next Tuesday afternoon. Nothing definite was done.

Mayor McClellan came out of the room at noon and seemed very glad to have a few minutes to himself. He put the reporters while he was out and apparently was in no hurry to go back.

"We talked over every conceivable scheme," he said. "None of the gentlemen present appears to be in favor of any particular scheme and all are willing to be convinced. You might say that the discussion has run along the general line of whether a subway of an elevated railway to connect the two bridges is the most desirable. One of the questions if the B. R. T. reduces its capacity Mr. Grout was present.

"I should say he is present in the capacity of a member of the Rapid Transit Commission, as Comptroller and as a very wise and sensible citizen," he replied.

President Winter and Engineer Nichols came out a few minutes later, heads down and on the run as if they had the ball, and were making a gain in a football game. Not a word from either was obtainable.

President Orr and Comptroller Grout, and the others came out at 12:30 P. M. Mr. Orr repeated thought the city Mayor had said, and told of the agreement to meet next week. Mr. Grout said that the city had agreed to meet next week. Mr. Grout said that the city had agreed to meet next week.

Against the engineering difficulties of a subway and had expressed the opinion that the city would hardly care to risk its non-fireproof cars by a subway after the Paris subway accident.

The question of the B. R. T. reducing its capacity to make room for a subway would have to look hard and in many places for a satisfactory solution of the question.

The B. R. T. appears to be the only possible answer for doing duty. He said President Harriman had submitted a scheme for a municipally owned bridge, but that had been dismissed as impossible—two fares being necessary, and that was out of the question.

## RICHARD RIKER'S PORTRAIT

Oil Painting of Former Recorder Hung in Criminal Court Building.

An oil painting of Richard Riker, who was Recorder of the city of New York almost continuously from the year 1855 to 1882, was hung in the Criminal Court Building, this morning.

The painting was presented to the Justices of the Supreme Court by Recorder Riker's granddaughter, Miss Anna Riker Spink, of No. 134 Madison avenue.

It is a copy of an old portrait that was painted in 1840 by the then celebrated artist, James Frothingham. The copy was made by James W. Maynard, Recorder Riker was born in 1773 and died in 1842. During his term of office the Recorder sat in the Court of Cyrc and Terminus, which was then a branch of the Supreme Court.

F. A. Pickett, Artist, Dead.

NEWPORT, March 12.—Frederick Augustus Pickett, the miniature painter, died in the Newport Hospital from pneumonia to-day, after a short illness. Mr. Pickett was taken ill in New York and brought here to enter the Newport Hospital, where his sister, Miss Pickett, is superintendent.

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TRIP UNDER THE  
NORTH RIVER.

Party of Guests Goes Through the New Tunnel, Crossing from the New Jersey Side with Mr. McAdoo.

STRONG AIR PRESSURE  
STILL IN GREAT SHAFT.

Tarpaulins and Rubber Boots Necessary Before the Journey Could Be Made, but the Trip Takes Less than an Hour.

An Evening World reporter, an artist, and forty other guests of Commissioner William G. McAdoo, President of the New York and New Jersey Tunnel Company, made a leisurely trip through the new North River Tunnel this afternoon. Commissioner McAdoo, accompanied by Engineer Jacobus, who had charge of the tunnel construction, met his guests at Pier 13, from where they crossed the river and entered the tunnel at the New Jersey entrance.

First the guests were lowered in a shaft and taken ten at a time to a chamber, where they were subjected to a pressure of thirty-eight pounds to the square foot. They remained for five minutes at this pressure, and then they were taken up in relays of ten to another chamber where the atmospheric pressure that still prevails in the tunnel.

There was a relay had been accustomed to this air pressure they were led into the tunnel and began their trip under the river.

Before going down the shaft at the New Jersey entrance all of Commissioner McAdoo's guests were fitted out in tarpaulins and rubber boots, as the central portions of the tunnel are from one to two feet deep in water. The tunnel was lighted throughout with electricity, and though these lights made but a dim red glow, it was sufficient to see ahead for several hundred yards.

The entire journey under the river took less than an hour, though many stops were made on the way to inspect the work at different points. When the Fortson street entrance of the tunnel was reached the guests were taken up in relays of ten to another chamber where the high pressure was taken up to the street in a lift only one of the forty-three persons who made the trip at this point. They were all from the high pressure, though all were pretty dead when they came out of the New York entrance.

## HUSBAND MISSING WITH \$625

Wife Says He Left to Deposit the Money in Bank.

The Brooklyn police were asked to-day to look for Antonio Passio, thirty-eight years of age, of No. 45 Carroll street, who has been missing from his home since Thursday morning. When Mr. Passio made good-bye to his wife and seven children, he told her to go to her room and wait for him. He told her he was intended to deposit in the bank.

Mrs. Passio said that her husband, who has a blacksmith shop, where he employs fourteen men, had no intention of leaving the city, so far as she knew. He left \$150 with her. "Although I am greatly alarmed about his absence," said Mrs. Passio, "I do not believe he is the victim of any Mafia or Italian society. There are no such associations here. He is a good Italian." Mrs. Passio said that her husband owed a number of his men money.

## JUSTICE DYKMAN MOURNED.

Court Notables at Funeral Service for the Jurist.

(Special to The Evening World.)

WHITE PLAINS, N. Y., March 12.—The funeral services of Supreme Court Justice Jackson O. Dykman were held at his residence to-day, and attended by many notable jurists from various parts of the State. The services were held at the Second and Third Judicial Districts.

Justice Dykman was born in 1825 and died in 1904. He was a member of the Supreme Court from 1882 to 1904.

There were many beautiful floral offerings. The burial will take place to-morrow in the Rural Cemetery.

## GOLD MEDAL

Pan-American Exposition.

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For the quick preparation of a delicious drink, for making Chocolate icing or for flavoring ice cream, Lowney's "Always Ready" Sweet Chocolate Powder has no equal. The pure chocolate quality and properties are present, unadulterated and unimpaired.

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## SOCIETY BUDS.

YOUNG GIRLS COMING OUT.

HE beautiful young girls who are coming out this year are prettier and healthier looking than ever before. The fact is, our American girls are giving more attention to their physical well-being, to calisthenics and physical culture, to out-door sports than ever before. The ideal picture of American womanhood of to-day is one of rosy cheeks, sparkling eyes, erect poise, firm and certain step. The well-nourished cheek; the deep, full inspirations, the plump, well-rounded arms, all command our admiration. Can anything be more satisfactory to the eye than this picture of honest health, subtle intelligence and womanly beauty? It is a pity that at the receptions and dances which our young girls attend the air is not better, more pure, instead of being overheated and the same foul air being breathed over and over. If it were not for this one drawback the exercise of dancing would be a great physical help to the young woman just coming out. The young girl just blossoming into maidenhood, on that peculiar border line between maidenhood and womanhood, should have every care and thought. Parents are often to blame for their daughters' health by allowing them to overwork at school, allowing them to go out too much, attending parties and other places of amusement, and the indulgence of other habits which tend to excite the nervous system. There should be a good understanding both on the parents' part and that of the young girl, and we can heartily recommend a book called the "Common Sense Medical Adviser," edited and published by Dr. R. V. Pierce, at Buffalo, N. Y., which can be obtained by sending 31 one-cent stamps for the clothbound, or 21 one-cent stamps for a copy of the paper edition, which will be sent by express.

The sensitive, highly strung organization of our women is very susceptible to overwork and lack of care, and the most critical period of a woman's life is the change from girlhood to full physical development. "The natural destination of the woman after thirty," says Mr. William Blackie, "seems to be the sofa, the shawl and the neuralgia." And why? Because the modern girl is brought up in such a way that her brain is developed at the expense of her red blood corpuscles, and she comes to womanhood a bundle of nerves and physical degeneration. As a tonic and reconstructive during the critical period of change there is nothing that has been found equal to Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription. A girl has as good a claim to strength and health as a boy, and generally needs them more. The vital organism of the young girl requires fresh air and sunshine, just as much as the beau-

tiful American woman is run down by the vigor of her athletic life. She should then some prominent and would be well for suit, by letter, with can of worldwide such as Dr. R. V. specialist in